VSERS Summary of Recommended Pension Changes - DRAFT				
Current	Proposed	ADEC Impact (Estimated, \$ millions)	Unfunded Liability Impact (Estimated, \$ millions)	Notes
Employee contribution rates are 6.65% for Group F.	Beginning in FY 2023, increase the contribution rates of active Group F employees as follows: Omembers with base salaries below the 25th percentile see no change. Omembers with base salaries between the 25th and up to the 50th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 3 years. Omembers with base salaries above the 50th percentile and up to the 75th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 4 years. Omembers with base salaries above the 75th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 5 years.	-2.5 (FY23) -13.3 (FY27)	N/A	
Employee contribution rates are 8.53% for Group C.	Beginning in FY2023, Group C employee contribution rates increase by 0.5%/year over a three-year period, with new rates fully phased in by FY2025.	-0.2 (FY23) -0.6 (FY25)	N/A	
Group C:	Group C:	-3.3	-22.0	Actuarial estimate did not include the impact of the

COLA: Net percentage increase in the CPI has a 5% maximum.	For all currently active employees upon retirement, beginning with the CY2023 COLAs: COLA: Net percentage increase in the CPI used to calculate the COLA has a 0% minimum and 4% maximum			adjustment of the net percentage minimum/maximums, which would be expected to yield additional savings. Savings resulting from the max benefit increase may
COLA: A member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 12 months prior to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar year.	COLA: A member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 24 months prior to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar year.			vary from projections based on actual retirement behavior.
Mandatory retirement at age 55.	Mandatory retirement at age 57.			
Max Benefit (50% of AFC) is reached upon completion of 20 years of service.	Max Benefit increased by 1.5%/year for each year worked beyond reaching the later of age 50 or 20 years of service, applying prospectively to service actually worked after July 1, 2022.			
Group F:	Group F: For currently active employees upon retirement, beginning with the CY2023 COLAs, except actives who are eligible for normal (unreduced) retirement as of July 1, 2022:	-5.4	-35.4	Actuarial estimates do not exclude actives who are eligible for normal retirement, and therefore may be slightly overstated.

COLA: Net percentage increase in the CPI used to calculate COLA has a 1% minimum and 5% maximum. COLA: A member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 12 months prior to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar year.	COLA: Net percentage increase in the CPI used to calculate the COLA has a 0% minimum and 4% maximum. COLA: A member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 24 months prior to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar year.			
Group D: Employee contributions are 6.65%.	Group D: Beginning in FY 2023, increase the contribution rates of active Group D employees as follows: Members with base salaries below the 25 th percentile see no change. Members with base salaries between the 25 th and up to the 50 th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 3 years. Members with base salaries above the 50 th percentile and up to the 75 th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 4 years. Members with base salaries above the 75 th percentile see 0.5%/year increases for 5 years.	-0.1	-1.0	JFO estimates pending actuarial analysis. Group D is a very small universe of members, therefore the actuarial impact of the changes is likely small and may fluctuate from estimates due to variations in individual member behavior.

	For all active members except those with 5+ years of service and are either within 5 years of age 62 or over 62 years old, or have 15+ years of service as of 7/1/22:	
AFC is based on the final salary at retirement.	For members who retire after 7/1/22, the AFC is based on averaging salary in the final two years of employment.	
The maximum benefit payable is 100% of final salary.	Beginning in FY2023, the maximum benefit payable is 80% of AFC.	
Normal retirement eligibility is age 62.	For any new judge appointed/elected after 7/1/22, the normal retirement age is 65.	
COLA based on 100% of CPI if greater than 1%, with a 5% maximum.	For any judge appointed/elected after 7/1/22, the COLA applies to the first \$75,000 of benefit paid at 100% of CPI with a 5% maximum. The COLA is calculated at 50% of the net CPI change on benefits paid in excess of \$75,000.	
Member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 12	Member must receive a retirement benefit for at least 24 months prior	

months prior to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar	to receiving a COLA at the start of a calendar year.			
year.	No changes to the COLA for judges who are appointed or elected on or before 6/30/22. State makes one-time \$75 million payment in FY2022 toward	-7.3 (FY24)	-75.0	Impact of one-time funds will reduce the ADEC beginning
	unfunded liability.			2 years into the future.
	State makes additional "plus" payment to unfunded liability in future years. Plus payment will begin in FY2024 and grow to \$15M in FY2026 and remain at that level until the fund reaches 90% funded.	varies	varies	Impact on the ADEC and UAL will depend on the size and timing of additional payments.
	State allocates 25% of unrestricted year-end General Fund surplus to the VSERS pension system.			

All financial impact estimates are preliminary and subject to change with additional actuarial analysis or plan experience.